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STOCK NEWS.

Several stockmen on the Pecos will join together and ship 700 beef cattle to Bernal, between the first and twentieth of December.

Max Goldenburg has purchased J. H. Riley's San Andres range, and has gone down to Texas to buy cattle to stock it. He says he will be his own foreman, and thinks it will pay better than selling goods in Tularosa. Mr. George, foreman for M. L. Pierce, accompanied him on a pleasure trip. [R.G. Republican.]

A number of Lincoln county cattle growers are shipping steers from Bernal this week. The heaves are in good shape and will probably strike a good market, as the northern cattle are all in. This is a great advantage possessed by the Lincoln county men, as they can hold their steers from three to four weeks longer than our northern friends. [Stock Grower.]

An Albany paper says: Phil Armour, the well known meat dealer of Chicago, whose business is at the stock yards, employs 75,000 men in various parts of the country. New York, Albany, Chicago, Missouri, Colorado and Texas. He employs 700 men in Chicago who do nothing all day long but kill cattle. Krupp, the great gun and steam engine builder of Germany, employs 30,000 men. Armour sees Krupp and goes 45,000 better. Send the cake to Armour.

Charles F. Hilton, one of the owners and manager of the Sacramento ranch, was in town the other day, and reports everything lovely on the Sacramento. He is a member of the protective association of precinct No. 9, Lincoln county, and says they mean business, and, as pioneers in that county, will protect their rights. Small bunches of cattle have been driven from central and southern Texas up the Pecos into southern New Mexico during the summer, regardless of the quarantine, but as yet with no bad results. [Stock Grower.]

It is estimated that a cow in this country will raise twelve calves during her lifetime, in Colorado, eight; Wyoming, six; and Montana, four. Now, if the estimate is correct, the future of stock raising in this country is to raise the calves, say to one year old, and sell them to the northern cattlemen to be prepared for marketing. At one year old would be the most economical time to ship here, as it is a well known fact among cattlemen that a yearling calf is the toughest animal on earth, excepting a mule. [Stock Grower.]

The Convention at Work.

The first National Convention of Stockmen ever held in this country, met in St. Louis November 17th. Mr. Rainwater, of St. Louis was elected temporary chairman, and Thomas Sturgis, of Wyoming, secretary.

Addresses of welcome were made by Gov. Crittenden and Mayor Ewing, after which loud calls were made for Gen. Sherman, who was in the hall, and he promptly responded with one of his characteristic speeches. Among other things he said: "I used to regret to see the buffalo, elk and antelope disappearing from the plains, and to see in their stead a race of scrawny, long-horn Texas cattle. I can now see, however, it was a decree of nature, and that you, gentlemen, have reared a race of twenty million fine breeding cattle which supply the world with meat."

One of the most interesting features of the meeting is the cowboy band from Dodge City, Kansas. This consists of twenty men in frontier costume, who are magnificent players, and never failed to call forth great applause after each effort. The leader, instead of a baton, playfully swings a six-shooter about a foot long in true western style.

After the preliminary organization and reception speeches, the convention adjourned until the next day. In the meantime the delegates will take in the lions and other animals of the city.

Cowboys in Council.

An idea of the enormous wealth which is represented by the delegates to the cattlemen's convention, may be gained from the following reference to part of the companies and associations that have sent delegates, the statement being obtained from the officers of the various companies:

The largest and richest association in the country, perhaps, is the Texas Live Stock Association, of Texas, which extends all over that state and embraces in its membership a large number of fourteen of what are known as district associations. William Lambert, its secretary, says the association owns 1,000,000 head of cattle, the same number of sheep and 350,000 horses, and a moderate estimate of their value would be \$45,000,000. The delegates of this association wear a blue silk badge attached to the throat with a large five pointed solid gold star, under which is artistically wrought a silver cow weighing about two ounces.

The largest of the district associations in the state is the Southern Texas Live Stock Association, which owns 420,000 head of cattle, 45,000 horses and a large number of sheep, all valued at over \$9,000,000. They have also 4,650,000 acres of land, valued at \$11,625,000, making their entire property worth about \$21,000,000. They employ 500 men as herders.

Other large district associations in Texas are the Northwest Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, the Panhandle Live Stock Association, the Colorado and Conecho Stock Association, all of which own immense herds and send large delegations to the convention.

From New Mexico seven associations are represented, the largest of which is the Northern New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association, whose range practically covers Colfax, Mora and San Miguel counties, and embraces 15,000,000 acres of land on which 800,000 cattle graze, besides a large number of horses.

The other associations are Acequia Caliente, with 240,000 cattle and a capital of \$2,500,000; the Wagon Mound Association with 170,000 cattle and a capital of \$2,000,000; the Lincoln County Stock Association with 400,000 cattle and a capital of \$5,000,000; the Central New Mexico Association with 500,000 cattle and a capital of \$6,000,000; the Dona Ana Association with 850,000 cattle and a capital of \$1,000,000; the Southwestern Association with 90,000 cattle and a capital of \$2,000,000.

Of the ranches owned or controlled by St. Louis men whose headquarters are in St. Louis, the largest interest is that of Hunter & Evans, which embraces several ranches in Texas, the Indian Territory, Kansas and Nebraska and has 386,000 cattle and a capital of \$5,810,000 and owns or controls, by lease or otherwise, 11,464,000 acres of land.

Next comes the Continental, with 95,000 cattle, a capital of \$270,000 and 924,880 acres of land.

The Clark Cattle and Land Company, with 80,000 cattle, a capital of \$500,000 and 800,000 acres of land.

The Niobrara Cattle Company, 31,000 cattle, a capital of \$300,000 and 2,000,000 acres of land.

The Raynor Cattle Company, with 15,000 cattle, a capital of \$250,000 and 100,000 acres of land.

The St. Louis Cattle Company, with 13,000 cattle, a capital of \$200,000 and 300,000 acres of land.

These, with one or two smaller concerns, gives an aggregate cattle interest operated in St. Louis of 521,000 head of cattle, \$4,437,000 in capital and 18,508,880 acres of land.

Never eat soup with a dead fly in it: Soup that will kill a fly can't be safe.

ESTRAYS.

As there are frequent requests to publish notices of estrayed horses and cattle, the Era will hereafter publish all such notices under this head FREE OF CHARGE. Persons having such stock in their possession will please send us notice of same for publication.

One cow branded T H on left side; window-glass brand on left hip. Owner can have same by calling at A. C. McDonald's ranch, Agua Chiquite, Lincoln county.

NON-ASSOCIATION BRANDS.

Wm. Benson. GUY T. BRILL, JR.
RINCONADA RANCH.

Horses branded bell on left shoulder.
Wm. Benson, Manager.
P. O. Box 72, White Oaks, N. M.

A. C. McDONALD.

ALM P. O. Address, Upper Pecos, N. M. Range, Agua Chiquite. I have fine bulls for sale. Persons desiring to purchase will do well to examine my stock. Brands as follows: A L M right side; swallow fork right and left. E L a circle right side; swallow fork right. M O L right side; swallow fork right and left. M 6 right side; swallow fork right.

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L. W. NEATHERLIN.

LIN P. O. Lookout, Lincoln Co., N. M. Range, head of Black River Bar mark, crop and underlip on both ears. L I N on left side.

C. H. SLAUGHTER.

HIL P. O. Lookout, Lincoln Co., N. M. Range, head of Black River. H I L on left side.

ROBERT DICKSON.

XX Range: Middle Pecos, P. O. Address, Pecos, N. M. Cattle branded X on left side and hip, also X bar right side and hip.

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JOHN G. WHITE & CO.

W Post Office address and range, Upper Pecos, N. M. Cross on left side. One-half of this brand belongs to J. W. Curtis.

J. W. CURTIS.

JOHN B. GARDISSER.

JOHN JAMES.

JJ P. O. address and range, Upper Pecos, N. M. J J on left side.

RAPER BROS.

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Lincoln County Stock Association.

\$500 REWARD.

ARTICLE XIII. The association shall advertise to pay to any person who shall procure the arrest and conviction of any person or persons who shall violate the stock laws of the territory the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), provided that the association shall not be responsible for rewards for the arrest and conviction of persons for depredations committed against the stock of such persons who shall not have their name and brand recorded on the books of the association, and that no one in the pay of the society, nor any member thereof, shall be entitled to receive such reward. For further information concerning this reward, address W. E. Anderson, President Stock Association, Roswell, N. M., or John W. Poe, Vice President, Lincoln, N. M.

STOCK BRANDS.

\$500 DE RECOMPENSA.

ARTICULO VIII.—La Asociacion publicara y pagara a cualquier persona que procure el arresto y convencion de cualquier persona o personas que violen las leyes de ganaderia del Territorio de Nuevo Mexico, al detencion de cualquier miembro de la Asociacion, la suma de mil pesos (\$1,000), proveido que la Asociacion no sera responsable por el arresto y convencion de personas por depredaciones cometidas en contra de tales personas que no hayan protocolado sus nombres y marcas en los libros de la Asociacion y que tampoco bajo el pago de la Asociacion, al algun miembro de la misma, sera entitulado de recibir por sus servicios. Por mas informacion tecanete a la recompensa dirigase a W. E. Anderson, Presidente de la Asociacion, Roswell, Nuevo Mexico, o John W. Poe, Vice-Presidente, Lincoln, N. M.

BRYAN & GUNTER.

W. L. RYNERSON & CO.

FRANK LESNET.

L L L CATTLE CO.

WM. SLANE.

PAT GARRETT.

J. A. LARUE.

ED. TERRELL.

W. W. BRAZIL.

A. K. EAKERS.

EMIL FRITZ.

SAMUEL WELLS.

FLORENCIO GONZALES.

Mescalero & Jicarilla Apaches.

THE LEA CATTLE CO.

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Brand left side but sometimes on right side. Ear marks sometimes reversed. E side and also some on side and hip. W side. J Bon hip or loin. L E A. Cross on side and hip. Cattle branded with various other ear marks and old brands. Address, J. C. Lea, Roswell, N. M.

On left side and J H connected on left hip. Ear mark upper half crop and under bit in the left and crop in the right.

On left side and J H connected on left hip. Ear mark upper half crop in left, and under one-half crop in right.

On left side and hip. Ear mark crop and bit in left and under bit in right.

On left side. Various ear marks.

STOCK BRANDS.

JAMES RAINBOLT.

P. O. Address, Ft. Stanton, Lincoln Co., N. M.

B. J. BACA.

JOSE MONTANO.

T. B. POWELL.

J. & J. S. RAYNOLDS.

WM. ROBERT.

HERNANDEZ BROS.

EDDY BROS.

COYOTE AND RED LAKE CATTLE CO.

W. H. HUGGINS.

ANDERSON CATTLE CO.

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POE & GOODEN'S BRANDS.

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Post Office Address: Roswell, Lincoln county, N. M.